



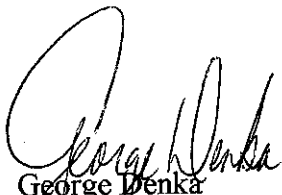
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AMS, USDA
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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to voice my company's concern over language in the Special Crop Block Grant Program that seems to preclude the wine industry from qualifying for and participating in this program. § 1290.4 (Eligible Grant Project) currently states that "priority will be given to fresh specialty crop projects". This sentence seems to exclude the wine industry from the program as we deal with processed fruit. I respectfully request that the sentence referring to "fresh specialty crop projects" be eliminated from the bill.

Thank you for your time and consideration.



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